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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Ernest Ndzebet
Serial No.: 10/020,685
Filed: December 14, 2001
For: Oxazoline Surfactant Anode Additive for Alkaline
Electrochemical Cells
Group Art Unit: 1745
Examiner: Gregg Cantelmo

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the March 18, 2004 Office Action in the above-identified case, Applicants request that the following remarks be entered.

REMARKS

While neither agreeing nor acquiescing with the Examiner's remarks in the March 18, 2004 Office Action, Applicants have chosen to file a continuation application. That continuation application is filed today so as to be filed before the expiration of the six month time period under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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